

REMARKS

By means of the foregoing Amendment a minor change has been made to Claim 24. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that Claim 24 remains allowable for the same reasons set forth in the Notice of Allowability. In particular, the amendment adds the word "layer" to the first claim element to provide proper antecedent basis for the use of that word in the next element, and added the word "layer" to the next-to-last element for consistency.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

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